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Applicant: David M. EVANS, et al.
Title: BENZAMIDE DERIVATIVES AS
OXYTOCIN AGONISTS AND
VASOPRESSIN ANTAGONISTS
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed December 8, 2006, Applicant hereby elects the subject matter of **Group V**, e.g., subject matter wherein, in the compound of formula 1, **G¹ is formula 6**.

In response to the election of species requirement, Applicant hereby elects the species of Example 138, e.g., 4-Cyclopropylmethyl-piperazine-1-carboxylic acid 2-fluoro-4-(3-methyl-4,10-dihydro-3H-2,3,4,9-tetraaza-benzo[f]azulene-9-carbonyl)-benzylamide, to serve as the starting point for the Examiner's search. Applicant understands that once the elected species has been found to be allowable, the Examiner will consider the patentability of the full scope of the elected claims. Thus, non-elected species are retained in the application.

If there are any questions surrounding this submission, or if any issues remain, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone in order to advance prosecution.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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